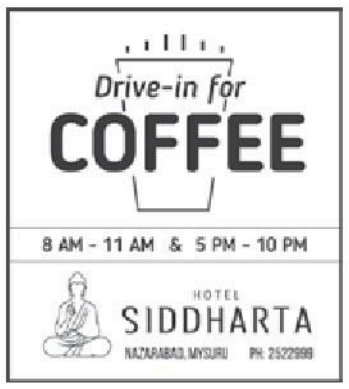

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Hunsur Road widening near Jaladarshini Guest House

Pratap Simha's Roar yields result

Mysuru, June 23 (RK&BCT)- The controversial stretch between Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle (Metropole Circle) and Valmiki Junction comprising Jaladarshini Guest House will get new inter-locking footpaths and works have begun on a war-footing. Footpaths and other works are being taken up following the directions of Kodagu-Mysuru MP Pratap Simha.

Footpath laying works have begun yesterday and the Department of National Highways will complete the laying of footpath from the Metropole Circle till Paduvarahalli 4th Main within a month. This morning, traffic on the road was closed on one side and vehicles had to proceed on the other side. This had led to minor traffic snarls.

To lay the footpath, a part of the compound wall on the right side (as one comes from Metropole Circle) near the Jaladarshini Guest House has been demolished and footpath will be laid. Six more trees have to be cut and the National Highways authorities have written to the Forest Department for permission.

(See RESULT on page 13)

Thalassery-Mysuru Railway Line Project

Remove K.C. Venugopal

from AICC post, demands green activist from Kodagu

Venugopal exerting pressure on State to implement destructive Railway project via Kodagu, says Col. (Retd.) C.P. Muthanna

Madikeri/ Mysuru, June 23 (BCT)- President of Coorg Wildlife Society Col. (Retd.) C.P. Muthanna, who is also the Co-ordinator, Save Kodagu and Cauvery Campaign, has demanded the immediate sacking of K.C. Venugopal from the post of All India Congress Committee (AICC) General Secretary (Karnataka In-charge) for exerting pressure on the State Government to implement the disputed Thalassery-Mysuru Railway Line Project.

In a letter to Congress President Rahul Gandhi, the copy of which is with *Star of Mysore*, Muthanna has said that Venugopal was misusing office to put pressure on the State Government to implement the Railway project that connects Thalassery to Mysuru via eco-sensitive Kodagu. If implemented, the project will destroy the district as the railway line passes through thick rainforests.

Col. C.P. Muthanna

K.C. Venugopal

(See VENUGOPAL on page 13)

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled *"**Will Kodagu, heaven on earth, cease to exist ? — Watch out ! The writing is on the wall.**"* —**Ed**

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
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Mysuru, Saturday 23rd June 2018

Attention to abilities

An old Kannada saying has the message that the spark displayed by a person in later life is clearly visible in bud stage itself, drawing the analogy from the plant world that a robust tree has its origins in its sapling stage itself, if not at the seed stage. Many a child prodigy in various fields such as music, chess, oratory and so on is featured in the land's history achieving eminence in the respective field. Name of India's unchallenged queen of melody Bharat Ratna late M.S. Subbulakshmi (popular by her initials MS) looms large in one's mind. There have also been a galaxy of child warriors displaying amazing valour and bravery in their later life hosted by different regions of the country, notably Karnataka.

The name of legendary monk and philosopher Adi Shankara has stood the test of time for his scholarly spiritual output even before reaching the age of 10. To expect abilities of extraordinary class such as attributed to the aforementioned legendary figures to be created through schooling in institutions of our times sounds far-fetched.

Parents, who pass off as literati among the masses, consider it their duty and responsibility to take their offspring through the paces of learning, ostensibly to build *capability* in well-marked chosen fields in the hope of enabling them to stand-on-their-feet as it were in life. The two main factors namely *a)* The parental support and *b)* The facilities for learning as provided by the State and private agencies have been widely discussed in various circles while the gamut of issues relating to capability of the land's workforce are getting complex over time.

Successive generations of the country, during its history of several centuries have engaged themselves in various callings such as agriculture, crafts producing products to meet consumer needs in a wide range, weaving, carpentry, sculpture, music and others after receiving rigorous training with proof of skills, display of capabilities and without *certificates* and *marks card*, unlike the mandated practice of our times. The avenues of employment are open only to aspirants who flaunt their degrees and diplomas obtained after years of learning in schools, colleges, polytechnics, Universities and Institutes of Technology. Favouring some sections among the aspirants based on their identity mentioned in the land's Constitution for admission to institutions offering professional courses and for jobs in the government is aside from capability. That is granted by law of the land.

In the foregoing backdrop of the (dis)connect between *capability* and *certificate* (as proof of learning), the reported measure of adopting a *new* technology by an IT-major of the country to *map* abilities of its employees should prompt the administration in the government to emulate the corporate. That, many are sure to dismiss as a pipe-dream.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

New-era protests are redefining the internal security landscape. At present no one, the courts of judicature included, seems to understand the shifting taxonomy of violence. Escalating violence resulting from caste conflicts — including the most recent Dalit uprising; farmers' woes across the country; the rape of young women and children; issues revolving around tradition versus modernity; the outsider versus insider syndrome, especially in the Northeast — and we have an unfolding vista of incessant conflict and violence. The issues involved in each of them are highly complex and need careful attention.

— M.K. Narayanan in The Hindu.

NEWS SPARKLERS

Can you spot the mom?

Nova Scotia: The photos of 40-year-old Kiyenia Booker and her two teenage daughters recently went viral on social media, because people just can't tell which one is the mother.

Booker, from Nova Scotia, has been posting pics of herself and her two daughters – K'Lienya, 18, and Kolieya, 16 – on her popular Instagram account for a while now, but things got crazy a few days ago, after she shared a collage of photos from when her girls were very young compared to now. It showed just how much the girls had grown, but people couldn't help noticing how Kiyenia didn't seem to have aged.

The age-defying mother-of-three was more than happy to share some more photos of herself with her two teen daughters, just to prove that that one collage was no fluke.

A collection of 1,200 messages in bottles

The Netherlands: Dutch beachcomber Wim Kruiswijk has amassed a collection of 1200 messages-in-bottles over the course of 34 years and has responded to almost all of them.

68-year-old Kruiswijk says that his unusual hobby began in 1983 when he found three bottles on his local beach, each containing letters and return addresses. He wrote to all three addresses and was surprised to receive responses from each one. It was this experience which sparked his interest in hunting and collecting messages in bottles, and he hasn't stopped looking for them since.

The bottled messages are kept neatly sealed and filed in plastic folders. He only holds onto the unique bottles or packaging that wash up, such as lovely ornamental bottles or test tubes.

In the past bottles have also been used to send distress messages from stranded sailors.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How long does it take to develop scurvy by not consuming Vitamin C?

An Iowa State Penitentiary study revealed that clinical symptoms of scurvy developed after only 29 days without consuming Vitamin C. Scurvy can be prevented with 10 MG of Vitamin C per day. That's 1/10 of an orange.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Lecture on 'The Science of Agnihotra' tomorrow

Prof.P.R.Mukund

Mysuru, June 23- Kalpa Kshetra – Centre for Heritage and Culture has organised a lecture on 'The Science of Agnihotra' by Prof.P.R. Mukund at 4 pm on Sunday (June 24) at its premises at 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage 1st Phase, Mysuru.

Agnihotra is a ritual mentioned in ancient Vedic scriptures performed at sunrise and sunset daily for purifying the atmosphere by reducing pollution through a specially prepared fire.

Prof.P.R.Mukund, hailing from Bengaluru, is a professor in the EME Department of Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, USA and has been known for his work on Analogue and RF Integrated Circuit design. He has to his credit publication of many technical papers and is a regular in IEEE and other lecture circuits.

Apart from his career as an educator, Prof.Mukund is deeply interested in the studying and spreading of Vedic wisdom through lectures and publications. His Foundation has developed a unique patented technology called Waterfiche for preserving palm leaf manuscripts for a long period of time.

His work has been featured in BBC, CNN and MSNBC programmes. For details on the lecture session contact Dr.V.R.Anil Kumar on Mob: 9449819536.

Scholarship for Brahmin Students

Mysuru, June 23- As part of the valedictory of its Centenary celebrations, Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha has invited applications from Trimathastha Brahmin students who have scored 90 percent and above in SSLC and II PUC to present scholarship. The prescribed applications can be obtained from the Sabha Office on Thyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla, Mysuru-570 004 between 9 am and 1 pm or 5 pm and 7 pm and submit the filled in forms before July 10. For details contact Ph: 0821-2446498 or Mob: 94496-06311, according to a press release from Sangha Hon. Secretary L. Venkatakrishna Shastry.

Sreevaishnava Students

Hebbar Sreevaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam, has invited applications from SSLC and PUC students (Sreevaishnava Iyengar) who have secured 85 percent and above for awarding Pratibha Puraskar. The eligible students will also have to submit copy of the marks card before June 30. For details contact Upasabha Secretary N.R. Ramprasad on Mob: 94488-72458.

Really...?

- ***The highest bridge in the world is the Bailey bridge, which is situated in Ladakh between Dras and Suru rivers in the Himalayan mountain range.***
- ***By volume of pills produced, the Indian pharmaceutical industry is the world's second largest after China.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Mother: *David, come here.*
David: *Yes, mom.*
Mother: *You really disappoint me. Your results are getting worse...*
David: *But... but... I will get my report card only tomorrow.*
Mother: *I know that but I'm going to Hong Kong tomorrow; so I'm scolding you now itself !*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 67.88
1 UK Pound	= Rs.90.03
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 18.48
1 Euro	= Rs. 79.11

VOICE OF THE READER

GTD was taken for a Ride by CM Kumaraswamy

Sir,

G.T. Devegowda, the JD(S) MLA from Chamundeshwari Constituency, who defeated the then CM Siddharamaiah, has compromised on his stand not to accept the Ministry of Higher Education.

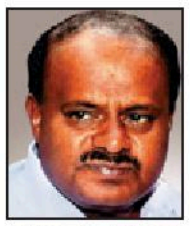
However, the very reason why he, an 8th standard educated MLA, was given that Ministry was to ensure that his Ministry takes an Advisor, who would be the former Vice-Chancellor Prof. K.S. Rangappa who had lost the Assembly election contesting on JD(S) ticket from Chamaraja Constituency. If he had won, H.D. Kumaraswamy, the Chief Minister, would have made Prof. Rangappa, the Higher Education Minister.

Now in order to get Prof. Rangappa a position of the Cabinet Rank, Kumaraswamy has deliberately given GTD that Ministry where he would need an Advisor.

— Dr. Rama Murthy
Mysuru
22.6.2018

CM Kumaraswamy to present first coalition Budget on July 5

Bengaluru, June 23 (UNI)- Karnataka Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy will present the first Budget of his Congress-JD(S) coalition government on July 5, the State Cabinet decided yesterday. The Cabinet that met for the first time after its expansion and portfolio allocation also decided to request Governor Vajubhai Vala to address the joint session of the State Legislature on July 2.


Kumaraswamy

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Krishna Byre Gowda said the first session of the coalition government will be held from July 2 to 12. "It has been decided to convene the joint session on July 2. The Cabinet has decided to request the Governor to address and outline the objectives of the new government as per practice. The Cabinet has also decided that the Chief Minister will be presenting the Budget on July 5," he added.

Kumaraswamy, who also holds Finance portfolio, had commenced pre-budget discussions with various Departments and their respective Ministers since yesterday.

Recently differences had emerged on presentation of the full-fledged Budget, as former Chief Minister and Chairman of the Congress-JD(S) Coordination Committee Siddharamaiah had suggested that there was no need for a fresh Budget and insisted that a supplementary Budget would do.

The Cabinet also approved the appointment of senior JD(S) MLC Basavaraj Horatti as protem Chairman of the Karnataka Legislative Council, until the new Chairman is elected. It also decided to authorise the Chief Minister to recommend names for 2019 Padma awards that will be given away during the Republic Day.

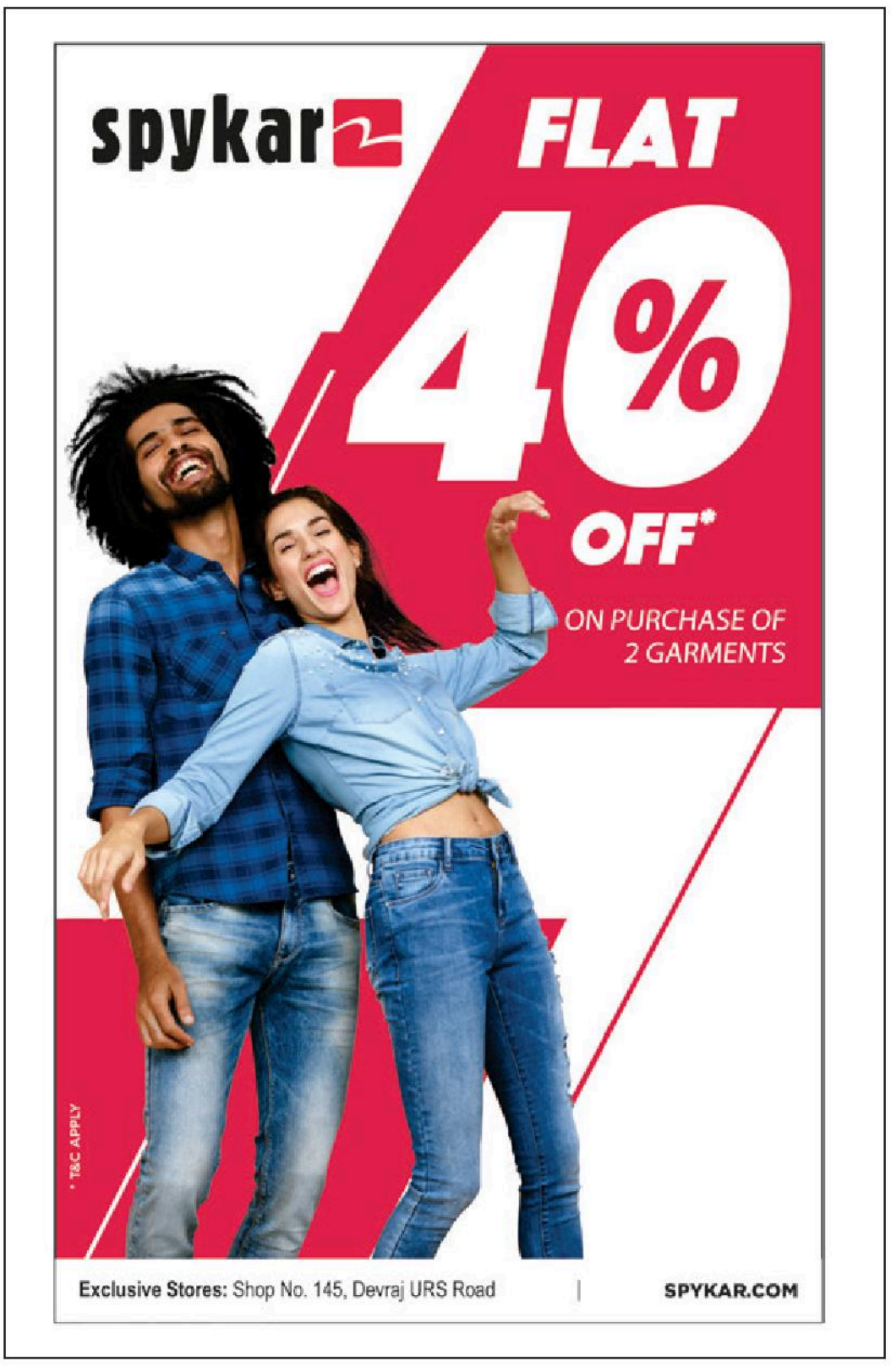
Yesterday was the first meeting of the full-fledged Cabinet in Karnataka after the Congress-JD(S) coalition government came to power in the State.

Pramoda Devi to inaugurate mega eye camp at MRC

Mysuru, June 23- Sri Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Foundation and Mysore Race Club (MRC) Eye Hospital have jointly organised a mega free cataract screening camp at the Hospital premises in Siddartha Layout on June 25. Pramoda Devi Wadiyar will inaugurate the camp at 9.30 am.

Start-Up mentor from city for AICTE Programme in New Delhi

Mysuru, June 23- A city-based Start-Up mentor B.N. Pramodh, Founder of GroundUp, a Startup Hub and a core Team Member of Sobus Insight Forum, a Social Impact Incubator and Accelerator in Bengaluru, has been invited by AICTE for the mentorship programme to be held for Start-Ups by AICTE in New Delhi on June 25 and 26. The AICTE Start-up Policy for technical institutions was launched by the then President Pranab Mukherjee and designed in accordance with Government of India's "Start-up India" Action Plan launched by Prime Minister Modi on Jan. 16, 2016. AICTE's Student Start-Up policy intends to guide institutions to promote student-driven innovations and Start-Ups in academia by developing an ideal entrepreneurial ecosystem in partnership with technical institutions.



NEWS BRIEFS

Kumbabhisheka atop Chamundi Hill

The three-day Annual Kumbabhisheka Mahotsava at Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill will be held from June 23 till June 25. Today, the rituals will commence with Mangalavadya at 6 pm; on June 24 - Yaagashaala Pravesha and Ganapathi puja at 8 am and on June 25 - Jeevanyasa and Tatwanyasa.

Guest Lecturers

Government First Grade College Guest Lecturers Association has convened a meeting of Guest Lecturers tomorrow (June 24) at 11 am at the Park in front of Mysore Court Complex to discuss various issues including their appointments. For details contact Association President K. Somashekar on Mobile: 74065-58602 or General Secretary S. Swamy on Mob: 95909-15675.

Free check-up

Mysuru Veerashaiva Sajjana Sangha in association with Narayana Hrudayalaya, Annapurna Eye Hospital and Lions Club of Mysore Heritage City has organised a free heart and eye check up camp at Kantimallanna Kalyana Mandira, Sri Talkies Road, near Mandi Police Station on June 24 from 9.30 am to 2 pm. Interested public may contact Mob: 96320-70134 or 94486-09421.

Free retina camp

Mysuru Retina Care (Superspeciality Eye Hospital) will be holding a free eye camp on June 24 at its premises in Niveditanagar. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2543244 or Mob: 73383-69364..

Vamsha Sankalpa

Sri Kanyakaparameshwari temple, Srirampet, will be conducting 'Vamsha Sankalpa puja' for couples in the temple premises at 8.30am tomorrow (June 24). This will be followed by Kalakarshana Mahotsava and foundation stone laying for a new temple. On June 25, special rituals will commence with Mahaganapathi puja and punyaha vachana at 7am.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	105.00 ft
Yesterday	104.50 ft
Inflow	8,206 cusecs
Outflow	2,961 cusecs
Last year on this date	68.04 ft

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,280.80 ft
Inflow	13,780 cusecs
Outflow	15,000 cusecs

Mysuru-Bengaluru 6-lane Highway works to be further delayed

Mysuru/Bengaluru, June 23 (KMS, SPN&BCT)- The work on the upgradation of Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway is likely to be delayed for various reasons.

Reason one is that the State Energy Department wants more funds to shift electric poles and transformers from the land earmarked for the project. Reason two is the Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has stated that it will take time to clear trees on the Road that are a major obstacle. Reason three is that a meeting which was convened in Mysuru to elicit public opinion over felling of trees has ended inconclusively.

Karnataka Public Works Department Minister H.D. Revanna has said that thousands of electric poles and transformers need to be shifted and the Energy Department has quoted 15% more than the amount prescribed by the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) for the purpose.

"Since NHAI has to take a call on the matter, I have requested Nitin Gadkari to intervene in the matter. Gadkari has promised to visit Bengaluru soon and solve the issue. Till such time, work has to be stopped," the Minister added.

Reacting on the issue, Nitin Gadkari has said that trees on the Highway are the biggest roadblock for the project. "I will visit Bengaluru soon and sort out the issue," he said. Sources, however, said that the Union Ministry for Environment, Forests and Climate Change has raised objections to the tree felling on the Highway.

Environmentalists seen discussing with National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) officials about the extent of trees to be felled for the 6-lane works on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway.

A meeting convened on Wednesday (June 20) at Siddalingapura to elicit public opinion over felling of trees for the Highway widening has remained inconclusive.

Participants of the meeting alleged that the officials did not communicate about the meeting and this had resulted in lack of attendance.

The existing stretch of four-lane road will be converted to six-lane by widening the road up to 200 ft with a service road on the either side. The meeting was convened to seek opinion regarding axing of over 209 trees coming under a stretch of four kilometres covering three villages from Mysuru side — Kalasthawadi, Siddalingapura and Belawadi.

The meeting was on for some time and the authorities concerned exchanged information and later decided to call it off with a promise of convening another meeting.

The Centre had given final approval for the Rs. 2,920 crore project to be taken up by NHAI just ahead of Assembly polls and Gadkari had laid the foundation stone on March 25. In fact, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had launched the project during his visit to Mysuru before the elections.

The project, which will have six lanes and bypass roads in towns like Bidadi, Maddur, Ramanagara, Mandya and Srirangapatna, is likely to cut down travel time between Bengaluru and Mysuru by 30 minutes.

The existing four-lane road, passing through congested and thickly populated towns and settlements like Maddur, Mandya and Srirangapatna, etc., has already crossed its capacity, resulting in traffic jams and accidents.

The works will be taken up in two phases. In the first phase, the development works would be taken up from Bengaluru to Nidaghatta and the second phase of works would be taken up from Nidaghatta to Mysuru.

The upgradation to 6-lane along with service roads on each side and construction of bypasses at Maddur, Mandya and Srirangapatna and grade-separated structures on this stretch of the National Highway will greatly reduce the time and cost of travel, particularly of heavy traffic plying in the region.

BJP leaders meet State RSS functionaries

Bengaluru, June 23- Even as the State BJP unit is reeling under disappointment after coming so close to a majority in the Assembly polls held last month, top BJP leaders met key RSS State functionaries at the RSS Office *'Keshava Krupa'* in Chamarajpet here yesterday.

The meeting, which was held in the backdrop of so near yet so far case for the BJP, is said to have discussed the current political situation in the State following the formation of JD(S)-Congress coalition government, next year's Lok Sabha elections and the strategy to be adopted for the all-important 2019 polls in the wake of JD(S) and Congress coming together to fight the polls jointly.

State BJP Chief B.S. Yeddyurappa, Union Minister H.N. Ananth Kumar, Senior BJP leader K.S. Eshwarappa and other BJP office-bearers were among those present at the meeting.

Marithibbegowda takes oath as MLC

Bengaluru, June 23- Marithibbegowda of the JD(S), who was re-elected for the fourth term in the recently held Legislative Council polls from South Teachers Constituency, took oath as MLC here on Friday. Marithibbegowda, who functioned as Legislative Council Deputy Chairman in his previous term, has been an MLC since 2000, having won in 2000, 2006, 2012 and now in 2018.

Marithibbegowda

H.D. Revanna too aspiring to be CM?

Bengaluru, June 23 (KMS& DM)- With his younger brother H.D. Kumaraswamy becoming the Chief Minister twice, PWD Minister H.D. Revanna too is said to be aspiring to become the CM at least once.

H.D. Revanna

Although Revanna is not eyeing the CM post in the current Assembly, he has reportedly set his eyes on the next Assembly polls.

Revanna is learnt to be making changes in his lifestyle so as to make him publicly appear as a suitable man for the post. He is said to be planning to hire a PR Executive from Andhra Pradesh to enhance his political ratings.

This PR Executive is learnt to have served former CM Dharam Singh, Rajya Sabha MP Rajiv Chandrashekar and former CM B.S. Yeddyurappa. As the PRE's contract with Yeddyurappa expired in May, Revanna is planning to hire him with a monthly salary of Rs. 5 lakh along with posh facilities.

Revanna's son Prajwal Revanna, a budding politician, is said to be already working on the plan. It is to be seen how Revanna, who still follows a rural lifestyle, will get a makeover.

Conserve water to save environment: Water Activist

Mysuru, June 23 (MK&NNN)- "The ground water level is going down day by day and one of the main reasons for this is the growth of urban areas. People are also migrating from rural areas into towns and cities and this has led to more consumption of water. Everyone should think twice before throwing out sweet water," said Water Activist and Urban Planner Vishwanath Sreekantaiah.

He was speaking after inaugurating 'My Green 2018' exhibition organised by Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, at Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT) premises in Vishweshwaranagar here yesterday and said that since farmers use chemical fertilisers it seeps into the mud and thus the ground water becomes polluted. Hence, the farmers have to practice organic farming.

Water Activist and Urban Planner Vishwanath Sreekantaiah is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate 'My Green-2018' exhibition organised by Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, at Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT) premises in Vishweshwaranagar yesterday as others look on.

The rainwater is fit for drinking and it can be used for other purposes too. Everyone should learn how to harvest rainwater. Some of the ways of conserving include digging wells, rainwater harvesting and filtering water using *panche* (a loose fabric tied around the waist) by folding it three times, he said.

Lauding the efforts of BAI, he said that 'My Green' exhibition organised as part of World Environment Month is a welcome initiative and everyone should visit it to understand about environment.

MBCT Managing Trustee A.R. Ravindra Bhat, BAI Mysuru Centre Chairman K. Subramanya Rao, Hon. Secretary K. Ajith Narayan, My Green-2018 Chairman B.S. Dinesh, Hon. Secretary K.R. Prabhakar Rao and others were present.

Vidyavardhaka Engineering College students, as part of their project, displayed how electricity can be produced by using waste.

The exhibition is showcasing manufactured sand, eco-friendly building construction technology, handicrafts, organic food millets, vegetables and greens, seeds and plant nurseries.

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Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Will Kodagu, heaven on earth, cease to exist ?

Watch out ! The writing is on the wall

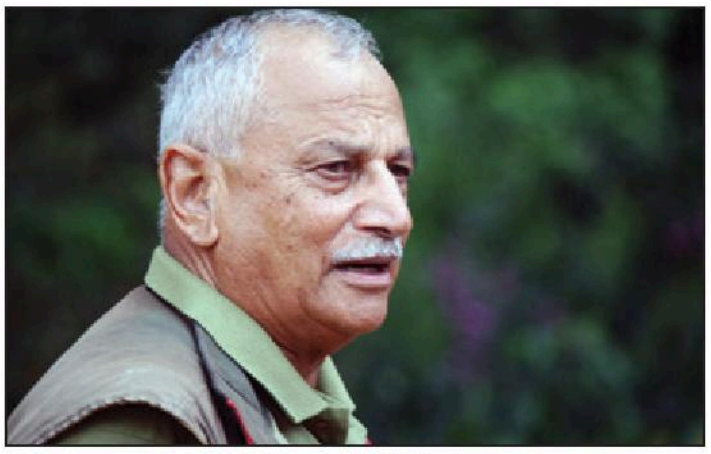
The smallest district in Karnataka is Kodagu. It was described as Scotland of India by the British. It is 900 mts (2,953 feet) from the sea level. With this altitude, it is considered a Hill Station. It is nestled in the womb of Western Ghats with a thick rain forest. It receives an annual average rainfall of 2,500 mm (98 inch).

Temperature varies from 15°C to 28°C. It has many glades and streams. Its topography is of rolling hills, undulating plains, peaks and valleys. It is the oxygen and water-producing power house for the plains of Southern Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Like Kerala, Kodagu is "God's own country." Karnataka State and its people should count their blessings for getting this nature's bounty.

But see what's happening to this Kodagu in the name of development. *Sab Ka Sath Sab Ka Vikas.* Yes, but this political slogan and economic philosophy should not lead to Kodagu's *Vinash*, destruction. The government may make Kodagu an exception to this kind of *Vikas*.

Sadly *Vinash* is what will happen if the present developmental plans are implemented. A district which is 60 miles (96.56 km) long and 30 miles (48.28 km) wide is going to have a 4-lane Highway criss-crossing it, Railway lines with trains chugging along in the South and North of Kodagu, many Holiday Resorts at the cost of agricultural lands and coffee plantation. Already, the High Tension Power-line is cutting across Kodagu after felling lakhs of trees and disturbing the wildlife habitat. If these projects materialise, the old-timers like me would have to ask, "But, where is Kodagu?"

It is an irony that Karnataka government is supporting these projects. Otherwise, how could the Central government or Railways venture into Kodagu? There were protests by some, but it was ignored by the State government. *(See Col. C.P. Muthanna's report on page 1).* It is said, that the peoples' representatives are with the government, though in public they feign to be with the protesters.



Air Marshal K.C. Cariappa

In March this year, I listed problems related to **Kodavas** (Coorgs) as a native community and **Kodagu** as a unique geographic entity in the Western Ghats. Then I sent out letters to those who matter in Kodagu hoping they would take pre-emptive actions. The issues that related to Kodagu district, for example, are:

1. Plans to build dams across two rivers more for hydro-electric power generation than for irrigation. Barapole, for example.

2. Four-lane Highway.

3. The Railway Lines.

4. Issues connected with Eco-Sensitive Zone.

5. Inclusion of nine villages to the Tiger Protection Zone.

6. The Gun Licence exemption issue.

7. The issue of coffee plantations on encroached government land *(Paisari).* Kagodu Thimmappa, former Revenue Minister, had begun survey to acquire them.

8. Right of lift-irrigation from running streams and rivers.

9. To stop celebrating Tipu Jayanti (at least in Kodagu).

10. The *Jamma* land tenure is abolished by amending the Land Revenue Act. But its consequences and implementation are having impact on the land holders. This Gordian Knot has to be untangled. I hold the view that there is no distinction between *Jamma* paddy fields and *Jamma Baane* land where coffee is cultivated under the amendment.

11. The issues of forming the "Greater Talacauvery Wildlife Sanctuary (GTWLS) and UNESCO World Heritage Site which may lead to relocating people from so many villages. I had even named the villages in that letter.

I had sent this letter to Kodagu politicians, social activists, members of Federation of Kodava Samajas and others. But I got response only from two persons. One was our former Law Minister M.C. Nanaiah who telephoned to say that though he agreed with me on many issues, it is difficult to deal with them because of lack of unity among the Kodagu people. Another response per letter came from Air Marshal K.C. Cariappa (Nanda Cariappa), son of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa. **The letter, though brief was eloquent in its prediction about the future destiny of Kodagu. I am inclined to agree with him.** People of Kodagu are warned.

The letter is self-speaking and produced here below in full. The Air Marshal seems to take a peek into Kodagu's future like the French Seer and Physician Nostradamus:

Date: 17.3.2018

Dear Mr. Ganapathy,

I thank you for your letter of March 8th, 2018 that I received a few days ago. It was good of you to include me in your mailing list.

Para 2 of your letter says it all. It is essential that we shed our purely/only Kodava outlook if this homeland of ours is to survive the onslaughts of the greedy and unscrupulous among our society. As you have stated we must include all other communities into our social fabric. If we do not, it will be at our own peril and this 'heaven on earth,' as we know Kodagu to be, will cease to exist.

The present trend, as I see it, points to the disintegration of what I.M. Muthanna called, 'The Tiny Model District of Coorg'. My fear is that this land of ours will be carved into three entities: merging with Kerala, Malnad and Mysore respectively.

In the matter of ethnicity, the issue is complex given our inherent pride, sometimes bordering on arrogance, in our community. While we may demand a separate and acknowledged identity, I wonder whether a separate geographical zone is either appropriate or practical. You have your finger on the pulse of our community and can best advise how we protect our Kodava inheritance.

Unfortunately, I do not read Kannada, except at Railway and Bus Stations, so was unable to go through the various issues you have enumerated.

With warm regards,

Your's sincerely,
Nanda Cariappa

The Karnataka government may take the sense of Air Marshal K.C. Cariappa's letter seriously and SAVE Kodagu district.

POSTSCRIPT: *I had published an article about the issues discussed above on June 11, 2018 in the Kannada paper 'Mysooru Mithra'. This had led to an interesting renewal of contact between two interesting persons. My friend K. Vijayakumar, an inveterate letter writer, had written to Air Marshal K.C. Cariappa, whom he knows, drawing his attention to the letter I had published in 'Mysooru Mithra' and my remark that the Air Marshal had predicted the future destiny of Kodagu like the French Seer Nostradamus. Lo and behold, there came a response per e-mail thanking Vijayakumar. In the second e-mail, Air Marshal Cariappa has this to say about he being called a Nostradamus by me and the future of Kodagu:*

"Nostradamus!!!! far from being one who gazes into a crystal ball. It is just that the writing is clearly on the wall for anyone to see and deduce the way things are headed. Alas, there is no apparent silver lining. And, of course, the lunatic fringe also exists who add fuel to the political fire to keep the pot boiling. Our 'elected' ????!!!! representatives are constantly sitting on the fence waiting to see which way the wind blows..."

Now, let me find out what manner of a man is this K.C. Cariappa. In an interview he gave to ***'The Week,'*** *October 28, 2007 he was asked: You were quite open about your parents' divorce in the book. Are you as outspoken as your father?*

His outspoken answer was: *No, I do not believe I am outspoken. However, if I feel strongly about anything, then I make my views known.*

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Conmen pose as MCC officers, take away gold worth Rs.7 lakh

Criminals target woman and her maid in Kuvempunagar; claim to measure house to issue 'Property Card'

Victim K.G. Leeladevi narrating the incident.

Mysuru, June 23 (SBD&BCT)- There is an old adage that says "until there are people who get conned, there will be people to con." This statement was once again proved right yesterday when two conmen managed to enter a house in the guise of officials from the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC). Not only they hoodwinked the house owner and pretended to take measurements of their house but also managed to steal gold and cash kept safe in drawers and almirahs.

The incident occurred yesterday in broad daylight in Kuvempunagar N-Block, an area that is full of people and vehicles even during the night. A house on the KSRTC Depot Road (in front of Hori Subbegowda Bus Stop) where K.G. Leeladevi, wife of late K.V. Jayadevappa, was staying along with her maid Mangalamma was the target of criminals.

Police said that the conmen would have known that only two women stay in the house and hence became an easy target. The criminals took away gold ornaments including bangles, chains, ear-rings all weighing 280 grams worth about 7,98,000 and Rs.8,000 cash.

Yesterday at around 11.30 am, the conmen told Leeladevi that they were from the MCC and had come to the area to take measurement of their house to issue 'Property Card.' An unsuspecting Leeladevi opened the doors to them and initially they measured the outside areas of the house and after gaining the confidence of Leeladevi, they entered the house.

After committing the crime, the duo sped away on their bike and even told Leeladevi that henceforth they need not pay the water bill. While leaving the house, one of the conmen repeatedly turned back to look at Leeladevi and this aroused suspicion in her. She immediately rushed to the bedroom only to find the gold and cash missing.

Narrating the sequence of incident, Leeladevi told the Police that her daughter stayed in the United States of America (USA) and she (Leeladevi) lived with maid Mangalamma. "At 11 am, my nephew's son Lokesh had come to my house and he took back some gold jewellery from me that his wife Archana had handed over to me sometime back to keep in safe custody. Archana wanted the jewellery as she had to go to a house-warming ceremony. At around 11.30 am, the doorbell of my house rang and when I opened the door, I saw two men standing outside. While one of them was wearing a yellow shirt, the other was wearing a grey shirt," Leeladevi narrated.

She told the Police that the two men told her that they were from the MCC and had come there to measure the house to issue 'Property Card'. "I questioned them if they had taken the measurement of the neighbouring house and they told me that the house was locked. Trusting them, I allowed them inside. Later, they took out measuring tapes and notebooks from a bag and started measuring the walls outside the house. Then they told me that they would have to measure the terrace. I followed them and they made notes of terrace measurements," she said.

After measuring the terrace, the conmen started measuring the inner parts of the house. "While the person who was wearing yellow shirt sat on a sofa, the other person went inside the bedrooms, kitchen, bathrooms and storage space and took measurements. They later asked for my Aadhaar Card and water bills and I brought the same from the almirah. They then asked me about rainwater harvesting system and sought to go to the terrace to inspect. I told them that I had pain on my knees and could not climb the steps," she said.

The conmen pretended to be officers so well that Leeladevi could not suspect anything. They asked maid Mangalamma to fill a bucket of water to test the rainwater harvesting system. "When we were initially on the terrace, we had kept the main door open and we suspect that the conmen would have passed the information to their accomplices who easily entered the house and steal valuables. While we were on the terrace, we saw one of the conmen speaking continuously over phone," Leeladevi narrated.

After inspecting the terrace for more than 30 minutes giving enough time for their accomplices to steal valuables, the conmen got down and politely thanked Leeladevi and told her that henceforth she need not pay the water bill and the 'Property Card' will be despatched to her address.

"Both of them left on their black bike that was parked in front of our house. I got suspicious when the person who was riding pillion repeatedly turned back to look at me. I rushed inside the house only to find the shelves and almirahs open and the valuables and cash missing.

Kuvempunagar Police have registered a case.

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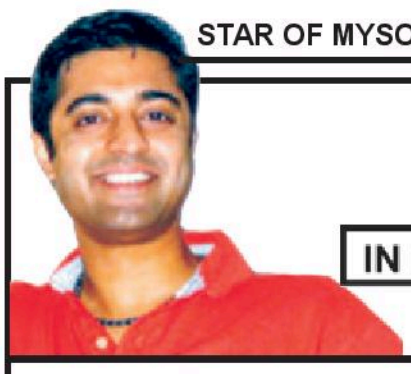

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Vikram Muthanna

Please do this first... then think of MRC

Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel, Mysuru

Falaknuma Palace Hotel, Hyderabad

Neglected shell-structure of aquarium in city Zoo.

The Mysore Race Course is not only the biggest piece of real estate in the heart of our city but also one of the largest green spaces. Now the new Tourism Minister wants to shift the Race Course and make it a Botanical Garden to boost tourism in Mysuru. A proactive move, but...

What about the 33-acre Botanical Garden planned just one-and-a-half kilometres from Race Course in front of Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel which was sanctioned 9 years ago?

Now, the Tourism Minister is going to request the PWD Ministry to take back the Race Course land and then transfer it over to the Forest Ministry, who then will hand it over to the Zoo which will then create a Botanical Garden. This project is sure to take a long time as Mysore Race Club (MRC) will go to Court for reprieve and by the time MRC is asked to shift, this government itself may have been shifted.

But if the shifting gets approval then as a Mysurean one must have many fears. Remember how our leaders said they have to shift Bangalore Turf Club (BTC) as the land was needed to ease congestion but later it was found that they had secretly planned to approve a twin-tower skyscraper with a Dubai builder in that area? Luckily, the Courts intervened and the case continues.

So we request the Tourism Minster that when the Cabinet leases the land to the Forest Department let that order declare this area as "Green Zone" so it will be safe from real estate sharks unlike what happened with Bangalore Race Course.

Now, it is curious that the Tourism Minister chose to visit MRC as soon as he took over as Minister when he could have just visited the unfinished tourist-centric aquarium right in front of the MRC.

Let the Minister shift the Race Course if he feels it will boost tourism in Mysuru, but we would be glad if he can take a few decisions that could give the city a quick boost as a tourist city with a royal lineage.

He can start by handing over Lalitha Mahal Palace to an experienced heritage hotel operator like Taj Group. Right now Jungle Lodges has been given permission to run Lalitha Mahal but this company runs Lodges in the Jungles, as their name suggests. They don't have experience running luxury hotels or maintaining heritage structures whereas Taj specialises in that. And we have proof.

Just take the case of the famed Falaknuma Palace Hotel in Hyderabad. Taj spent crores to renovate it and today that hotel has become a tourist destination as much as a hotel. It is also open for tourists on weekends, where one can have high tea in the Palace for Rs. 2,000 per head! One can visit this only through the State Tourism Board, which means money for the State. Lalitha Mahal can be like this.

The Minister can also revive the aquarium, which is incidentally under the possession of the Zoo Authority. The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has spent Rs. 3 crore to build the structure. After that it stopped, as there was no money! Now, the MCC has handed over the neglected shell structure to the Mysuru Zoo and the Zoo has no money. So the aquarium that was meant to house fish is now a hub for "fishy" activities.

And this project began in 2006...12 years ago! Worse, this aquarium is just 6,000 square feet! Even houses are bigger than this these days. Can the Minister please help finish this project?

Then there are other small achievable projects the Tourism Minister can complete which will boost tourism — Control the parking and fake sandalwood mafia around tourist spots; Vacate the illegal mutton stalls, hotels and saree shops that fill either side of the road leading to Chamundi Hill; Build parking complex for Zoo; Throw open Government Sandalwood Oil Factory & Silk Factory for tourists; Hold weekend cultural programmes at the Palace premises. And finally construct good road to KRS and maintain the Brindavan Gardens to name a few.

Even if we don't care that MRC adds credence to Mysuru's branding as a Royal City, that it is a well-maintained green space, that it generates over Rs.16 crore per annum by way of taxes, that it pays over Rs. 70 lakh as rental, that it generates another Rs. 60 lakh by allowing golf activities, that it employs over 2000 people and that it runs the best Eye Hospital in Mysuru District, we still have to ask... Is shifting MRC, which is a long term project, worth such priority?

We request our Minister that while trying to shift MRC he please save Lalitha Mahal Palace by giving it to a heritage hotel group like Taj and give full funding for an international-level medium scale aquarium. Mysureans will remember him for this like how we remember Gundu Rao for giving us Kalamandira.

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Misty Cascades

One of the favourite activities during holidays and weekends, especially in rainy season is to sit by beautiful waterfalls and have a good time with one's family and loved ones. Spending a day getting drenched under a waterfall or enjoying its beauty amidst loud sound of cascading water from the mountains is sure-rejuvenator after a tiring week's work.

It's raining in Kodagu and as rivers and rivulets are in full splendour, a number of known, unknown and least-explored waterfalls have come alive. Kodagu, a paradise for nature-lovers and trekkers, also boasts about its numerous waterfalls as featured in this *Weekend Star Supplement*.

Chelavara Falls

The Wonder Fall of Kodagu

ABBEY FALLS

It is a surprise waiting at Madikeri. Situated in Kodagu in the small town of Madikeri, the **Abbey falls** is on a coffee plantation and is best seen during the monsoon season when the river is in full flow. The waterfall is located between private coffee plantations with stocky coffee bushes and spice estates with trees entwined with pepper vines.

The falls was earlier called Jessi falls, named after a British Officer's wife. However, the place was a thick jungle area back then. Years later, the waterfall was discovered by Neravanda B. Nanaiah who bought the place from the government and converted it into a coffee and spices plantation that surrounds the waterfall today.

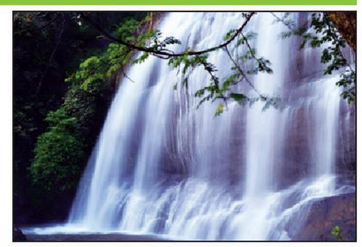
IRUPU FALLS

The beauty of **Irupu Falls** is the height at which the waterfalls and not the sheer drop. Unlike many other waterfalls, the Irupu doesn't fall once, but in a series of falls resulting in an elongated waterfall stretching over 300 feet.

Irupu Falls is located in the Brahmagiri Ranges of Kodagu, bordering Wayanad district of Kerala. It is a fresh-water cascade which is located at a distance of 48 km from Virajpet on the highway to Nagarahole National Park. The falls are also known as the Lakshmanatheertha Falls, derived from Lakshmanatheertha, a tributary of River Cauvery.

Water here flows down the continuous steps, making it one of the most spectacular waterfalls in India. Irupu falls is a major tourist attraction as well as a pilgrimage spot. A famous Shiva temple, the Rameshwara Temple, is situated near the Lakshmanatheertha River, en route to the falls. This temple attracts a large number of pilgrims during Shivaratri festival.

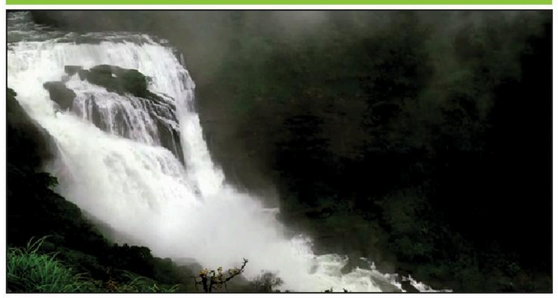
CHELAVARA FALLS



Chelavara Falls is a natural waterfall formed by small stream, a tributary of River Cauvery near Cheyyandane village which is on Virajpet-Talacauvery State Highway 90 located around 16 km from Virajpet. The falls is near to Thadiyandamol, the highest point in Kodagu. The falls is visible after walking a few meters in the forest. Local residents and Kodavas call this Chelavara Falls as Aamepaare (tortoise-rock).

Watch out as this is one among the dangerous waterfalls in Kodagu. One can easily get into turbulent waters and pulled in. It is approximately 100-ft deep and there are danger signs all over.

MALLALLI FALLS



Mallalli Falls is situated in the northern region of Kodagu and River Kumaradhara as the main source for the waterfall. Kumaradhara later flows through Kukke Subramanya and merges with Nethravathi River at Uppinangadi in Dakshina Kannada which then empties into the Arabian Sea in Mangaluru.

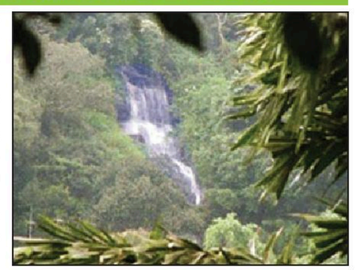
Monsoon as usual is the best time to see the real Mallalli Falls as there will be plenty of water which gushes down from the river and the mist and green hills.

ABBIMATTA FALLS

Abbimatta Falls is located just five or six kilometres from Somwarpet in Kodagu. It is on the way to Pushpagiri Hills and at a village called Bachalli. The cascading waterfall is surrounded by lush greenery, village paddy fields and coffee estates. Near the Abbimatta Falls, one can find an old mutt that is in ruins. At the mutt, one can see stone sculptures of Gods and Goddesses. The stone structure with ornate walls is intact.

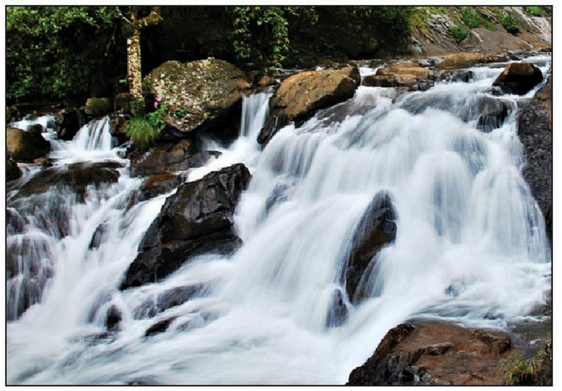
Local villagers say that the name of the mutt is Abbi Mutt and the falls has got its name from the mutt. Though this waterfall is small when compared to Mallalli, Abbe and Chelavara Falls, it is no less beautiful and one can reach the top of the waterfall with some effort.

BAGANAMANE FALLS



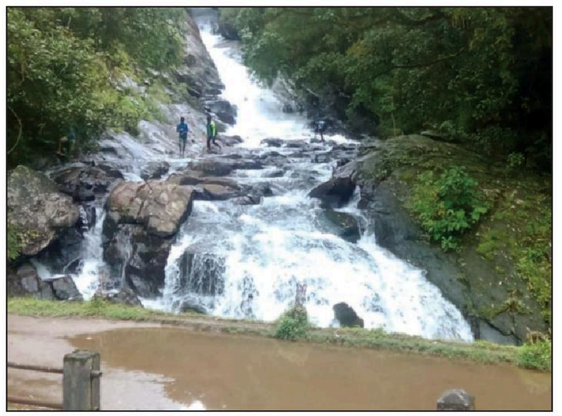
Baganamane Falls is located off the Madapura-Garwale-Kiragandur Road. This waterfall too flows amidst lush greenery that includes coffee estates and thick forests. Baganamane waterfalls is one of the hidden and rarely explored waterfalls in Kodagu and local residents say that water here lasts even during a hot summer as the surroundings are green.

GEEJAGANDA FALLS & SOORLABBI WATERFALLS

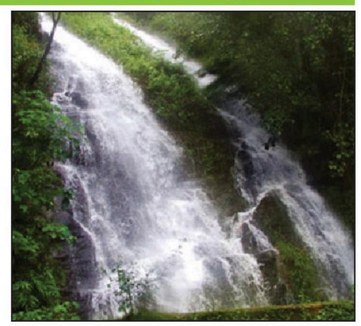


Located on the Madapura-Garwale Road, this **Geejaganda Falls** or **Garwale Falls** looks as if gallons milk is flowing from the mountain. It is over 35 kilometres from Madikeri. Further on the road, one can proceed towards places including Mutlu, Hammiyala and Hachchinadu where one can see green-grass-covered hilly areas that are perpetually covered by thick clouds.

One more waterfall in the same area is the **Soorlabbi waterfalls** or as locals call it **Medura Falls.** Soorlabbi is a village on the Madikeri-Madapura Road and this particular falls is moderate in height but a lengthy one. It looks like water is gushing out from a small outlet and is widening as it flows down.

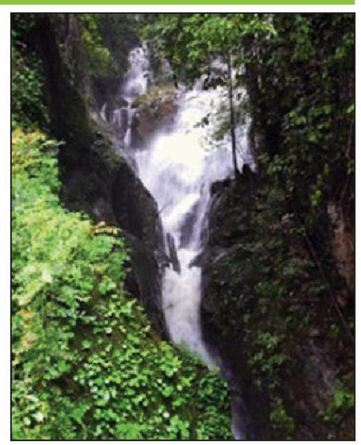


CHETTALLI FALLS



Chettalli Falls is located on the way from Siddapura to Madikeri - an area dominated by coffee estates. The place is amidst sweet aroma of coffee estates which are widespread in the endless stretches of Chettalli and surrounding villages. This waterfall is a must visit if you are ready to cross two streams and walk a couple of kilometres through the rich Shola forests and thick coffee plantations. Local villagers call this Abbiyala Falls.

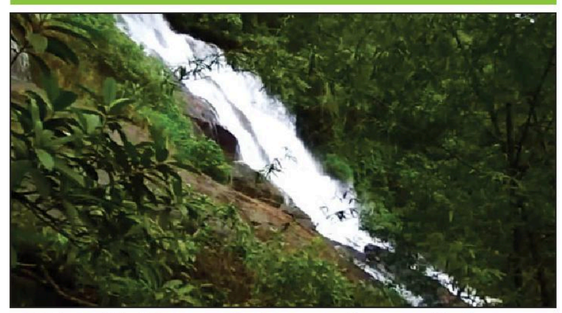
DEVARAKOLLI FALLS



As you drive on the winding roads in the Western Ghats from Madikeri to Mangaluru, at approximately 15 kilometres from Madikeri, a waterfall attracts your attention and you are sure to stop to admire the **Devarakolli Waterfall.** It is an annual waterfall fed by rains.

The waterfall derives its name from the village Devarakolli. The waterfall has a height of about 120 feet. It has two stage zigzag plunge followed by a short cascade. The waterfall is easily accessible along the highway and parking place is available for vehicles. However, it is dangerous to climb the waterfalls as rocks are slippery.

KALYALA WATERFALLS



Kalyala Waterfalls or as locals call it **Spatika Jalapatha** is located off the Madikeri-Mangaluru Highway and it is visible from the highway. It is in a place called Koynadu on the way to Mangaluru and it is 25 kilometres from Madikeri.

The drive to Kalyala Falls itself is a mesmerizing one with the greenery around and the narrow and curvy roads. To reach the falls, one has to travel 6 to 7 kilometres and the road is not asphalted. During monsoon, the Kalyala falls is dominated by mist and as it is a part of Western Ghats it rains all through the year.

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The Wonder Fall of Kodagu

KOTE ABBEY FALLS

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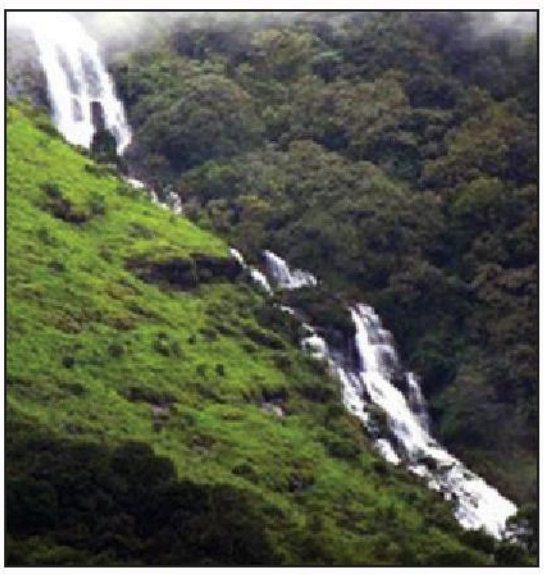
Kote Abbey Falls or **Kote Abbi Falls** is on the way to Mandalapatti near Madikeri. This is one of the rarely explored and less crowded waterfalls in Kodagu. These days, hire jeeps that ferry passengers from Madikeri to Mandalapatti take passengers to Kote Abbey Falls. The Mandalapatti route has two waterfalls – Abbey Falls and Kote Abbey Falls. One can admire the Kote Abbe Falls from a distance as getting into the water is dangerous, especially when the flow is huge.

KABBE FALLS

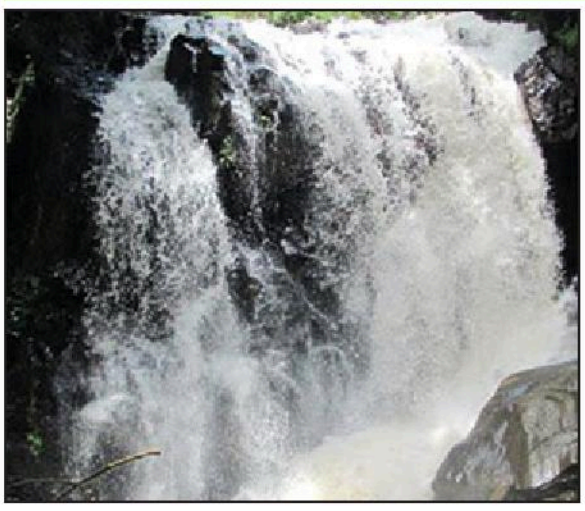


It is actually **Balliyatra Falls** and as the water flows amidst Kabbe Mountain ranges, it has got its name as **Kabbe Falls.** It is near the Chelavara Falls and one can see water gushing from great heights. It is not possible to go near the falls especially where the water hits the ground as the route is treacherous and one needs the permission of Forest Department. Even if the department permits (a highly unlikely proposition) the place is too dangerous as the path is slippery and rocky.

SARATHABBI FALLS

Sarathabbi is a place near B. Shettigeri in South Kodagu and it lies amidst the beautiful and vast Brahmagiri Wildlife Sanctuary. Sarathabbi is a view point from where Barapole or the Kithu Kakkattu River (KKR as locals call) can be seen downstream. Barapole is well known for white water rafting. It is a must visit for trekkers who can be amidst nature for over eight kilometres (to and fro). After the breathtaking views from Sarathabbi, trekkers can relieve tiredness and exhaustion at Nandi Gundi where the water hits the ground.

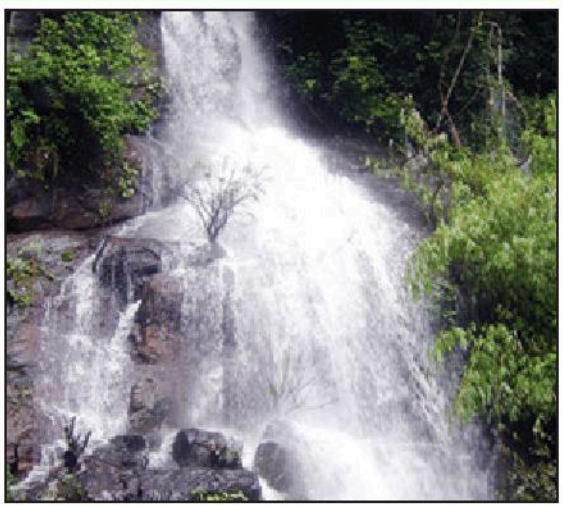
KUPPEHOLE WATERFALLS



The **Kuppehole Falls** near Haleri, off the Madikeri-Suntikoppa-Kushalnagar road is in full flow, thanks to the incessant rain. The roar of the water piercing the eerie silence of the surroundings is bewitching. Water gushing down in huge sheets along the woods is a great sight. This water joins the Hattihole near Madapura, ultimately flowing into the Harangi reservoir.

KARIKE TREASURE WATERFALL

The **Karike Treasure Waterfalls** is near Karike Village at Bhagamandala. It is on the way towards Kerala. The road has over 25 waterfalls and is a pleasure to drive. The area is dominated by thick forests and there are hardly any residents here. Another feature of this stretch is one can find many natural springs even on the asphalted road where water gushes out piercing the stone and tar layer.



CHIKKLIHOLE DAM

Chikklihole Dam is a small reservoir that provides water to local farmers located in a reserved forest. It is around 13 kilometres from Kushalnagar on the road which leads to Siddapur town near Dubare Elephant Camp.

One has to travel around two kilometres into the forest to reach the dam and it is advisable for visitors to carry food as there are no stores available. The place is densely populated with elephants and visitors are strictly advised not to get into the forests.

One has a take left turn at Guddehosur and travel around 9 km to a place called Rangasamudra and take a right where one spots a government school which will lead to the Chikklihole reservoir.

Amidst high drama, ZP President adjourns election to Standing Committees

Mysuru, June 23 (PM&DM)- The Zilla Panchayat (ZP) meeting convened today to elect heads and members of various Standing Committees was adjourned amidst high drama.

Soon as the meeting began at 11 am, ZP President Nayeema Sulthana, who chaired the meeting, was surprised to see only few members, following which she adjourned the meeting to 12 noon, citing lack of quorum.

As the ZP reassembled at 12 noon, a few members were present and Nayeema Sulthana adjourned the meeting once again for half an hour. After the ZP re-convened at 12.45 pm, Nayeema adjourned the meeting, seeking a few days time to announce the date of the next meeting.

But as Mangala Somashekar of BJP insisted on the announcement of the date, Nayeema Sultana said that the meeting would be convened in 10 days time and with the ZP President's announcement, the members left the hall, it is learnt.

Meanwhile, it is learnt that many of JD(S) and Congress members abstained from today's meeting in order to buy time for reaching an understanding between the two parties on sharing of posts in the ZP.

Congress ZP Members meet

Ahead of the election to the Standing Committees this morning, Congress ZP Members held a meeting at Jaladarshini Guest House to chalk out strategies for grabbing a majority of the posts, with the Congress having 23 members in the 48-Member body.

After the meeting, MP R. Dhruvanarayan, who addressed the press persons, said that Congress had convened an emergency meeting to discuss the strategy to be adopted for the election to ZP posts.

Stating that Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh had called him over phone to discuss sharing of power in the Mysuru ZP too on the lines of JD(S)-Congress coalition government in the State, the MP said that the issue of sharing ZP posts must be discussed between former CM Siddharamaiah, Ministers G.T. Devegowda and S.R. Mahesh. He said that there was much pressure on local Congress leadership as Congress ZP Members were vying with each other on heading various ZP Standing Committees.

MP R. Dhruvanarayan seen addressing the press persons at Jaladarshini Guest House in city this morning.

Pratap Simha's Roar yields result

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It may be recalled here that on June 21, Pratap Simha had visited the stretch to examine the works and had taken umbrage on the way the road has been widened, deviating from the original plan. Directing the officials to stick to the original plan, the MP alleged that shoddy works have been undertaken.

The Union government had sanctioned Rs. 12.5 crore for widening and straightening of the ever-busy Hunsur Road from Jaladarshini Guest House till the Valmiki Road Junction (850-metre stretch) to prevent accidents and loss of lives. The MP pointed out that there were no footpaths on the road.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, H.P. Chandrappa, Assistant Executive Engineer, National Highways said that the Centre, under its Central Road Fund had released Rs. 12.5 crore for the project on 2.11.2016 and the original project was to convert the stretch between Jaladarshini Guest House and Valmiki Road Junction to a six-lane road with widening and straightening up to 6.5 metres and 4 metres respectively. Out of the funds, Rs. 2 crore was earmarked to shift water and power lines, he said.

The foundation stone for the project was laid on 21.11.2017 by MP Pratap Simha and the then Chamaraja MLA Vasu and the then PWD Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa. "The project necessitated felling of 79 trees on both sides and the compound wall of Kukkarahalli Lake had to be demolished. Green activists including the Mysore Grahakara Parishat filed a case in a Mysuru Court and the Court directed that there should be a public hearing if more than 50 trees are cut," Chandrappa said.

The project was dropped as it cut many trees and on 21-12-2017, Executive Engineer of National Highways Lakshman Rao Peshwe directed the local authorities to asphalt the road till Hinkal Junction (5.45 kilometres) and also widen the stretch between Jaladarshini Guest House and Valmiki Road Junction and lay footpaths till Paduvarahalli (1.5 kilometres from Metropole Circle).

"This deviation in plan was not communicated to MP Pratap Simha. As we already have permission to lay footpaths, we will complete the project within a month. We have demolished a part of the Jaladarshini Guest House compound and this will give enough space for further widening and straightening the road and lay footpaths," he said. He denied that there has been any misappropriation of money in the project. "We will first start work near Jaladarshini and begin work on the other side later. We will widen the road by 2 metres on the Jaladarshini side, and a 3-metre wide pavement will be built using interlocking stones. The curve will be straightened. The other side of the road will also be straightened by 6 metres and the median will be shifted," he added.

Chandrappa said that till now, Rs. 7.5 crore has been spent and the remaining Rs. 5 crore will be utilised for fresh works that are being undertaken now.

Obituary

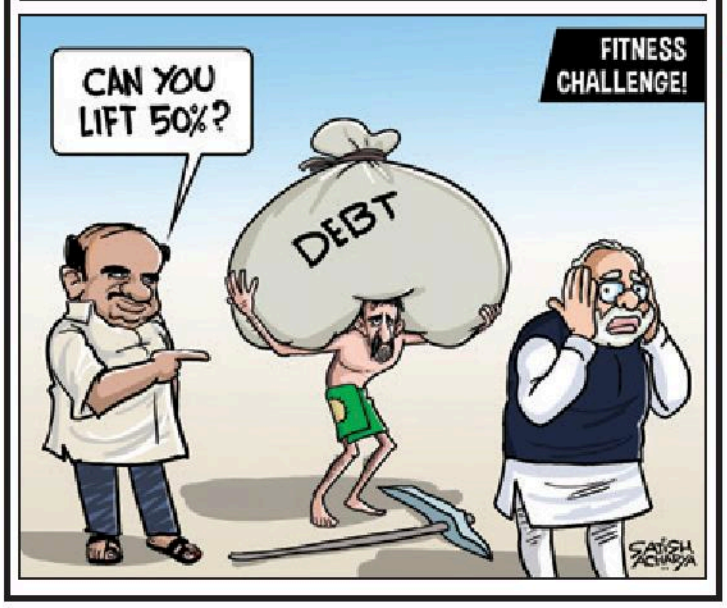
B.N. Venkatalakshamma

Mysuru, June 23- B.N. Venkatalakshamma (77), a resident of Lakshmipuram, Mysuru, passed away in Bengaluru on June 15.

She leaves behind her husband B.K. Gopalakrishna, daughter, son-in-law, son, daughter-in-law and three grandchildren.

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



Remove K.C. Venugopal

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"Venugopal has been instrumental in pushing through a 400 KV high-tension power line through Kodagu from Mysuru to Kozhikode in Kerala. The project went through despite protracted opposition from the local communities. As a result, over 60,000 trees were cut in Kodagu, which is the principal catchment of River Cauvery. The same Venugopal is now trying to use his influence to get approval for the Mysuru-Thalassery railway line through Kodagu," the letter stated.

"The railway line is an unnecessary project that will only serve the purpose of powerful vested interests, with thousands of trees being put to the axe. At a time when there is serious dispute between Karnataka and Tamil Nadu regarding sharing of Cauvery waters and when thousands of farmers in the region are committing suicide due to the vicious cycle of drought and debt, it would be disastrous to even contemplate such destructive projects through Kodagu," Col. Muthanna wrote.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Muthanna said that Venugopal was acting like an extra-Constitutional authority and is wielding his political power and influence for the betterment of Kerala, his home State, at the cost of Kodagu and Karnataka.

"It is at Venugopal's behest that the Konkan Railway Corporation is undertaking a survey of forest land in South Kodagu without the permission of private land owners," he said.

"I have written to Rahul Gandhi and requested him to remove Venugopal from the party post he holds so that he will not misuse his office to further his own political interests," Muthanna added.

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Ex-Mayor Sandesh Swamy opposes
MCC Ward delimitation, reservation

Sandesh Swamy

Mysuru, June 23 (RKB&DM)- Former Mayor and MCC Corporator Sandesh Swamy has strongly opposed the MCC Ward delimitation and the reservation announced by the Government.

Addressing a press meet here on Thursday, Sandesh Swamy said that the Ward delimitation made on the basis of 2011 population census was unscientific.

Maintaining that Ward delimitation must be made by including all Layouts along the Ring Road, he urged the Government to also include new Layouts in Ward delimitation.

Claiming that 43 Layouts have been kept out of MCC Ward delimitation, he said that the Government should take up fresh delimitation in order to render justice to residents of Layouts who have been kept out of delimitation.

Accusing the Government of announcing Ward reservation in haste, he said that the reservation would not do justice to anybody.

Questioning the Government on announcing Ward reservation when the current MCC tenure is skill almost three months, he said that the entire reservation needs a re-look.

Noting that Mysuru is a 'B' category city, he said that every Ward must cover a population of 15,000. But even as the Government was in election mode, the officials, taking advantage of the situation, had made Ward delimitation as per their will.

Asserting that the Ward delimitation and reservation is not as per democratic norms, he said that MP Pratap Simha MLAs Nagendra and S.A. Ramdas will draw the attention of the Government regarding these anomalies.

Corporator Mahadevappa was present during the press meet.

Veerashaiva Mahasabha demands
reservation for community in MCC polls

Mysuru, June 23- Claiming that there were about three lakh Veerashaiva-Lingayat Community members living in the city, constituting more than 25 percent of the city's population, the Mysuru city unit of Akhila Bharath Veerashaiva Mahasabha has demanded reservation for the community in the forthcoming MCC polls.

In a press release, Mahasabha President T. Lingaraju said that areas such as J.P. Nagar, Agrahara, Gowrishankar Nagar, Kuvempunagar, Shaktinagar, JSS Layout, Vidyashankar Layout, Raghavendranagar and Siddarthanagar have a large population of community members. But the recent reservation announced by the State Government for the MCC polls scheduled to take place in September, defies logic, as the authorities have ignored the communities which are dominant in the respective areas, he added.

Maintaining that the Government has thrown to the winds the normal practice of announcing reservation based on a particular community's strength, he said that the reservation announced recently is illogical and ill conceived.

As such, the Government should declare eight MCC Wards — Ward Nos. 9, 35, 37, 51, 52, 53, 62, and 63 — for Backward Class-B category or General category to which Veerashaiva-Lingayat Community members belong to or else the Mahasabha will be left with no option but to wage a legal battle seeking justice for the community, the release said.

For details, contact Mob: 96111-55576.

Minister distributes appointment letters to cooks, assistants

Mysuru, June 23- Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh distributed appointment letters to cooks and assistant cooks, who are directly appointed by the Backward Classes Welfare Department, at a programme held at Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Hall here recently.

The vacant posts of cooks and assistant cooks in the Backward Classes Welfare Department's students' hostels had been advertised and the final list announced.

The Backward Classes Welfare Department District Officer S.G. Somashekar said that they had followed the High Court's order regarding the appointment

of candidates selected. In Mysuru District, 58 cooks and 92 assistant cooks had been newly-appointed, he added.

ZP President Nayeema Sulthana and Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar were present on the occasion.

Selfie craze claims youth's life at Mallalli Falls in Kodagu

Somwarpet, June 23- There is good monsoon this year in the State and it is the right time to visit waterfalls. However, one wrong step and one has to pay with one's life. Such a tragic incident occurred yesterday at Mallalli waterfalls, when a youth was trying to take a selfie and fell into the waters and met a watery grave.

Manoj (24), son of Nagaraju, a resident Sundaranagar in Kushalnagar, is the unfortunate victim who lost his life. He, along with his five friends — Arun, Anilkumar, Manju, Vijaykumar and Johnson — went to attend a wedding at Shanthalli Kumaralingeshwara Samudaya Bhavan.

After attending the wedding around 4 pm, the friends left on three motorbikes to see the Mallalli waterfalls.

Manoj

It is said that Manoj slipped while taking selfie standing on the top of the waterfalls. His friend Anilkumar has filed a complaint regarding the incident in the Town Police Station.

As it was difficult to search for the body in the night, the search operations will begin today.

Human foot in dog's mouth
creates panic among villagers

Mandya, June 23- People panicked on seeing a dog eating the foot of a human. The incident occurred at Hulikere village in Nagamangala taluk.

Villagers found a dog eating the foot of a human in the forest area that lies between Hulikere and Tyapenahalli villages on Thursday evening. They tried to stop the dog eating the foot but it has attacked them. The villagers have informed the Nagamangala Police about the incident.

The Police reached the spot on hearing the information and searched for the dog. However, it had disappeared along with the foot by then. The Police have started the investigation to find out who the foot belonged to.

The villagers are anxious to find out where the dog found the foot and whether it is of a person who has been murdered. It is more than a month since the elections were over and Nagamangala is considered a sensitive constituency.

There was political slug-fest here and the suspicion doing the rounds is whether a politically motivated murder has occurred. The Police are also wondering whether there is any truth in this.

The residents of the neighbouring village Arehalli also suspect that the foot might belong to a 19-year-old girl who had gone missing last month. A missing complaint was lodged by the girl's family members and now they are worried about this turn of events.

Along with the Police, the dog squad is also searching for the dog and the foot. Even though there is a doubt that the foot could have been that of a person buried, the fact remains that nobody had dug a grave in the vicinity.

The mystery behind the decomposed foot being eaten by a dog remains and only proper investigation will lead to the truth. Nagamangala Rural Police have registered a case.

Music achievers honoured on World Music Day

Mysuru, June 23- The KMPK Trust had organised 'Sangeetadinda Arogya' (from music to health) Vichara Manthana (churning of ideas) at Shiradi Sai Baba Mandir on Ramanuja Road as part of World Music Day on June 21 and felicitated achievers in music field on the occasion.

Social worker K.Raghuram, speaking on the occasion, said that the cultural capital of the State, Mysuru, was home to the artistes and the reason for this is the influence of music.

The practice of music helps in improvement of health, the Shankanada clears lungs, following Janapada style will help lead a healthy life, chanting veda mantras will help improve brain power and the Hindustani and Karnatak style of music is appreciated in the West.

He stressed that if children are compulsorily taught music in schools as a subject, then they will have a bright future. In the past, the people were dependent on Akashvani and Doordarshan for music programmes. That was a time when listening to the melodious music brought peace to one's mind, he recalled.

Brahmana Yuva Vedike President H.N. Sridharmurthy said that music programmes act like medicines to the music-lovers and give them peace of mind.

Akashvani, Doordarshan, Music University and Kannada and Culture Department must identify talented musicians through social media and internet and introduce them to the people, he added.

Akashvani music coordinator Pushpalatha, Gamaka exponent Jyothi, Dr.Rajkumar Sangeetha Sanje drummer Raghavendra Prasad, Sugama Sangeetha artiste Mahalingu and *Ede Tumbi Haduvenu* fame singer Hamsini were felicitated on the occasion.

Former Karnataka Exhibition Authority Chairman B.P.Manjunath, Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, Maharshi School Secretary Bhavani Shankar, artist Mike Chandru, BJP leaders A. Santhosh, H.V.Bhaskar, KMPK Trust President Vikram Iyengar, Ajay Shastri, Jayasimha Sridhar, Tejas Shankar, D.K. Nagabushan and others were present.

Kannada film hits event at Town Hall on June 25

Mysuru, June 23- Akhila Karnataka Laghu Sangeetha Mathu Samskritika Kalavidara Sangha has organised a musical evening of old Kannada film hits titled 'Madhura Madhuravi Manjula Gana' on June 25 from 6 pm to 9.30 pm at Town Hall in city as part of 127th birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa will inaugurate the programme at 5 pm. BJP leader H.V. Rajeev will preside. Sri Jnanaprakash Swamiji of Urilinga Peddi Mutt, Prof. Mahadevi, Honorary Director of B.R. Ambedkar Study and Research Centre, S. Balaraj, former Kollegal MLA, M.R. Venkatesh, Assistant Engineer and Kamala Udayakumar, Corporator, will be the chief guests. There will be no entry fee for the event, according to a press release from Sangha President B.S. Jayaramaraju.

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Music brings out best in students' skills: Dr. Mysore Manjunath

Internationally renowned violinist Dr. Mysore Manjunath, who released the Music Calendar of world renowned Indian musicians on the occasion of World Music Day celebrated at Government High School in Kuvempunagar in city on June 21, seen with BEO Shivakumar, Head Master Prakash, Music teacher M.V. Anitha and Child Pencil Sketch artists Anmol Rathan Rao and Rakshit.

Mysuru, June 23- "Any student who learns music is sure to have outstanding achievement in whatever he embarks on," said internationally renowned violinist Dr. Mysore Manjunath at a function held at Government High School, Kuvempunagar, on the occasion of World Music Day, here on June 21.

He was speaking after launching the Music Calendar of legendary Indian musicians, prepared by students of Government High School, under the guidance of music teacher M.V. Anitha and said all over the world research has been done on music and it is made mandatory in school syllabus but in India we have yet to do it.

World Music Day is celebrated throughout the world in big cities but I am surprised to see that government school children are celebrating it in a meaningful way, said Dr. Manjunath.

He lauded the music teacher's effort in bringing out extraordinary music talent among students.

BEO Shivakumar, who was the guest of honour, said "Music Day coincides with Yoga Day. Yoga heals the body while music heals the mind. Both are two sides of the same coin."

Students played instrumental music on the occasion.

School Head Master Prakash, child pencil sketch artists M. Anmol Rathan Rao and S. Rakshit were present.

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FIFA World Cup 2018

Neymar and Coutinho goals give Brazil win against Costa Rica

Saint Petersburg, June 23- Philippe Coutinho and Neymar broke down dogged Costa Rica in injury time on Friday, sealing a 2-0 win for Brazil that propels the five-time champions towards the World Cup last 16.

The Central Americans looked likely to hold on for a hard-earned draw, particularly after Neymar had a penalty award chalked off by referee Bjorn Kuipers after he consulted the Video Assistant Referee.

But Coutinho and Neymar finally broke through, scoring in the 91st and 97th minutes to put Tite's side on the brink of the knockout stages.

At the final whistle, Neymar sat down on the grass and wept, with the emotion of victory hitting home after the tense Group E contest at the Saint Petersburg Stadium.

TODAY'S MATCHES

Belgium Vs Tunisia	05.30 pm
South Korea Vs Mexico	08.30 pm
Germany Vs Sweden	11.30 pm

TOMORROW'S MATCHES

England Vs Panama	05.30 pm
Japan Vs Senegal	08.30 pm
Poland Vs Colombia	11.30 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Brazil beat Costa Rica (E)	2-0
Nigeria beat Iceland (D)	2-0
Switzerland beat Serbia (E)	2-1

Ahmed Musa struck twice to become the first Nigerian to score at two World Cups.

Xherdan Shaqiri celebrates his last-gap winner against Serbia.

Nigeria win over Iceland

Ahmed Musa struck twice to become the first Nigerian to score at two World Cups Friday as the Super Eagles secured a crucial 2-0 win over Iceland, who missed a penalty.

The African side will secure a spot in the knockout stage if they beat Argentina on Tuesday in Group D's final round of fixtures.

A draw would be enough to eliminate the Argentines but would leave Nigeria's fate hinging on the outcome of Iceland's game against Croatia.

Musa, who came into the starting line-up in place of Alex Iwobi, announced himself with two of the goals of the tournament so far.

Switzerland beat Serbia

Switzerland took a huge step towards the last 16 of the World Cup as Xherdan Shaqiri scored a brilliant solo 90th-minute winner against Serbia.

The Stoke City player collected the ball near the halfway line before dribbling away from the defence and slotting past Serbia goalkeeper Vladimir Stojkovic.

Granit Xhaka had scored a brilliant equaliser for Switzerland after Aleksandar Mitrovic put Serbia in front with a header in the fifth minute.

Serbia, who had a strong claim for a second half penalty turned down, had dominated the first half, knowing a win would have confirmed their place in the knockout stages.

Switzerland are now level with Brazil on four points at the top of Group E, in second place due to an inferior goal difference.

They will qualify for the last 16 with a draw against Costa Rica, who have already been eliminated, in their final game.

If Switzerland win, Serbia must beat Brazil in their final game to progress.

Djokovic hungry for more after 800th career win

London, June 23- Novak Djokovic insists reaching the elite 800-win club is only the latest milestone in his quest to rewrite the record books, refusing even to rule out playing beyond his 40th birthday.

Djokovic became only the 10th man in the Open era to reach 800 match wins as the former World No.1 moved into the Queen's Club semi-finals with a 7-5, 6-1 victory over Adrian Mannarino on Friday.

The 31-year-old will play France's Jeremy Chardy — a 6-4, 6-4 winner over American youngster Frances Tiafoe — on Saturday as he bids for a second Queen's final appearance. **The match is slated to be held at 6.50 pm (IST) today.**

KSCA Mysuru Zone U-16 Tourney for Clubs

Chakshu Gowda slams century

Mysuru, June 23- Chakshu R. Gowda's unbeaten 151 (21x4) was the highlight of National CC's exciting one-run win over Sunny Side CC in the KSCA Mysuru Zone U-16 League match for Clubs played at the Gangothri Grounds here recently.

In another game, an inspiring knock of 114 (14x4) by left-hander opener L. Manvanth Kumar helped Jayanagar SC to register a facile 65 run win over FUCC.

SCORES

Jayanagar SC: 264 for six in 50 overs (L. Manvanth Kumar 114, Chakresh S. Gowda 56, Yadhunandan 20) bt **FUCC:** 199 for 9 in 50 overs (Shreyas 78, Pranav 38, N.T. Srivatsa 3 for 31).

National CC: 287 for 8 in 50 overs (Chakshu R. Gowda 151 n.o., Tarun Sagar 52, P. Nitin 2 for 46) bt **Sunny Side CC:** 286 for 9 in 50 overs (Md. Kaif Basha 116, P. Nithin 62, Krithik R. Kashyap 48).

Rising Star CC: 246 for 8 in 50 overs (Bhuvan 69, Samarth 25, Sujan 43, L. Nakul 2 for 29, Atharv Pai 2 for 58) bt **Star CC:** 173 in 44.2 overs (Nakul 52, Vinil 3 for 35, Yashwanth 2 for 42, Sujan 2 for 19).

Jo Jo CC: 55 in 17.4 overs (Daivik Sanath 5 for 9, V. Bhuvan Kumar 3 for 17, Satvik Chethan 2 for 11) lost to **RBNCC:** 58 for in 13.5 overs.

New National CC: 259 for 6 in 50 overs (M.K. Yashwanth 82, Napish D'souza 39, B. Bhuvan 62, S. Chethan 2 for 38) bt **MUCSC:** 79 in 29.2 overs (Venugopal 24, Chiranth 3 for 22, D.N. Dhanush 3 for 20, B. Bhuvan 2 for 15).

MDSA fetes KSA Chairman

The Mysore District Swimming Association's (MDSA) Executive Committee felicitated Neelakanta Rao Jagadale, Chairman, Karnataka Swimming Association (KSA), in recognition for his development of swimming in the State at Basavangudi Aquatic Centre in Bengaluru recently. Seen in the picture are (standing from left) M.P. Nabhiraj, Secretary, MDSA, Gopal B. Hosur (IPS), President, KSA, Neelakanta Rao Jagadale, Chairman, KSA, Dr. C. Krishna, President, MDSA, Dr. M.P. Manohar, EC Member, MDSA and Vijayaraghavan, Treasurer, MDSA.

Weekend shopping extravaganza

The Jewellery Show,' organised by Golden Creeper Enterprises, was inaugurated by film actress and Brand Ambassador Sruthi Hariharan yesterday at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city. **The expo will be open from 10 am to 8 pm today and tomorrow.**

In all, 25 leading jewellers from across India are showcasing their best creations.

Show-Stopper and award-winning jewellery sets from Karigars are included in this fantastic display and sale.

Each exquisite piece crafted by the jewellers and artisans from the various States of the country is sourced in line with the latest trends in jewellery.

The best of Bridal, Antique, Temple, Nakash, Thewa, Kundan, Meena, Designer Diamond, stunning, Platinum, Gemstone, Pearls and Silver Artefacts is on display and sale. Jewellery designed and manufactured specially for men and kids is an added feature.

This Show is also a platform that presents designs trends for the upcoming wedding and festive seasons, and is definitely a one-stop-shop for prospective brides and grooms.

Along with the jewellery brands from Bengaluru and Mysuru, the Show hosts jewellers from Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Mumbai and Jaipur. Silver jewellery & artefacts from Mumbai and Bengaluru and gemstones and gemstone jewellery manufacturers from Jaipur are adding to the uniqueness for the Show.

The major brands participating in this Show are: Aabushan (Bengaluru), Amrapali (Bengaluru), Davanam (Bengaluru), MPS (M.P. Swaran Mahal, Bengaluru), Neelkanth (Bengaluru), Nikhaar (Bengaluru), Panchkesari Badera (Bengaluru), PMJ Jewels (Bengaluru),Sreevaari (Bengaluru), Sri Ganesh (Bengaluru), Sudarshan & Sons (Mysuru), Rajshre Jewels (Chennai), Aura (New Delhi) Jagadamba Pearls (Hyderabad), Orra (Bengaluru), Vivant (Bengaluru), SUNIL Jewellers (Jaipura), Anmol Silver (Bangalore), Onkar Jewels (Amritsar), SHIVANI (Bengaluru), Silver (Bengaluru), Banethi Exports (Jaipura), Agarwal Gems (Jaipura) and Thar Handicrafts (Bengaluru).

Actress Sruthi Hariharan (left), who inaugurated 'The Jewellery Show' at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city yesterday, is seen displaying one of the jewellery on sale.

GO SWADESHI: **An expo-cum-sale of authentic handwoven products, is on at *The Quorum Hotel* on Vinoba Road in city from June 21. The expo will be open from 11 am to 9 pm till June 25.**

SILK DEZIRE OF INDIA-2018: *MLA L. Nagendra and AICC Member Pushpa Amarnath taking a look at a saree on sale at Silk Dezire of India-2018, an exhibition-cum-sale of premium quality handloom pure cotton and silk products directly from weavers across the country, being held at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry on Vinoba Road in city. The expo-sum-sale will be open from 11 am to 9 pm till June 26.*

Tanishq, one of India's most loved jewellery brand, has unveiled a unique collection called, *Lavanayam*. Featuring intricate and exquisitely detailed designs, the collection is a tribute to the distinctive architecture as seen across South India. Each ornament in the collection is a reflection of the rich cultural influences of the region, making them the perfect fit for all traditional occasions and festivals.

Kasumala is a fine balance of artistic craftsmanship and regal design. Tanishq has introduced various stylised version of Kasumala (Kasulaperu) crafted using Nakkashi technique. Originally a single string of gold coins, Lavanayam's Kasumala is a string of red stones. Lavanayam collection brings forth an opportunity for each Indian woman to flaunt a phenomenal Haaram inspired by the traditional south Indian doorframes, bejewelled with red stones in 22karat gold.

Sculpted in the Haaram are the idols of Ram, Lakshman and Sita, crafted in a Nakkashi technique. Elicit conversations with this immaculately designed Haaram are part of the Lavanayam collection. Inspired from the panoramic view of Chettinaad mansions (TN) and courtyards, it has been handmade using engraving technique.

H&M

The H&M, Hennes & Mauritz AB, the international retailer, known for fashion and quality at the best price in a sustainable way, which opened its doors to its first store in Mysuru at Forum Centre City recently, is currently offering a sale up to 50% off.

WORD OF THE DAY

Roseate

Pronunciation: ROH-zee-ut

Meaning: Resembling a rose especially in colour; overly optimistic: Viewed favourably.

Origin: "Everything's coming up roses." "He views the world through rose-tinted glasses." "She has a rosy outlook on life." In English, we tend to associate roses and rose colour with optimism, and roseate is no exception. Roseate comes from the Latin adjective roseus, and ultimately from the noun rosa, meaning "rose." Figurative use of roseate (with the meaning "happy" or "smiling") began in the 18th century, but the literal sense of the term has been in the language since the 15th century. It's especially well-suited to literary descriptions of sunrises and sunsets: "through yon peaks of cloud-like snow / The roseate sunlight quivers," wrote Percy Bysshe Shelley in Prometheus Unbound. And in an early short story, Edith Wharton wrote, "The sunset was perfect and a roseate light, transfiguring the distant spire, lingered late in the west." Example: "Sometimes mistaken for a flamingo, the roseate spoonbill has lots of pink shades that can fool you." — Lyle Johnson, The Gonzales Weekly Citizen (Ascension, Louisiana), 26 April 2018."

THE ODD WORD

Jabberwocky

Invented or meaningless language; nonsense.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

A blessing in disguise

Meaning: Something good that isn't recognised at first.

An apparent misfortune that eventually has good results.

Origin: The origin of the idiom 'a blessing in disguise' is believed to be mid-1700s, however scholars have yet to pin down the first usage of the term. The earliest instance of the term found in print was a 1746 work by English writer James Hervey titled Reflections on a Flower-Garden. There is no evidence that he coined the phrase.

Example of Use: "My car broke down again, but maybe it was a blessing in disguise; I've been wasting too much time driving around anyway."

QUOTE BOX

"When I started counting my blessings, my whole life turned around."

—Willie Nelson

RIDDLE THIS

What two words does this say ?
esgg sgeg gegs gsge

Answer: Scrambled eggs.

SUDOKU

						6		
	8	1			6			
		2	1					7
1					4		8	
4	9			1			7	6
	3		9					4
7					8	4		
			5			3	6	
		4						

Answer to previous puzzle

4	9	8	5	2	1	3	6	7
6	2	1	9	3	7	4	5	8
5	7	3	4	6	8	9	1	2
7	8	6	2	9	4	1	3	5
3	1	9	8	5	6	7	2	4
2	5	4	7	1	3	8	9	6
1	6	7	3	8	2	5	4	9
9	4	2	1	7	5	6	8	3
8	3	5	6	4	9	2	7	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

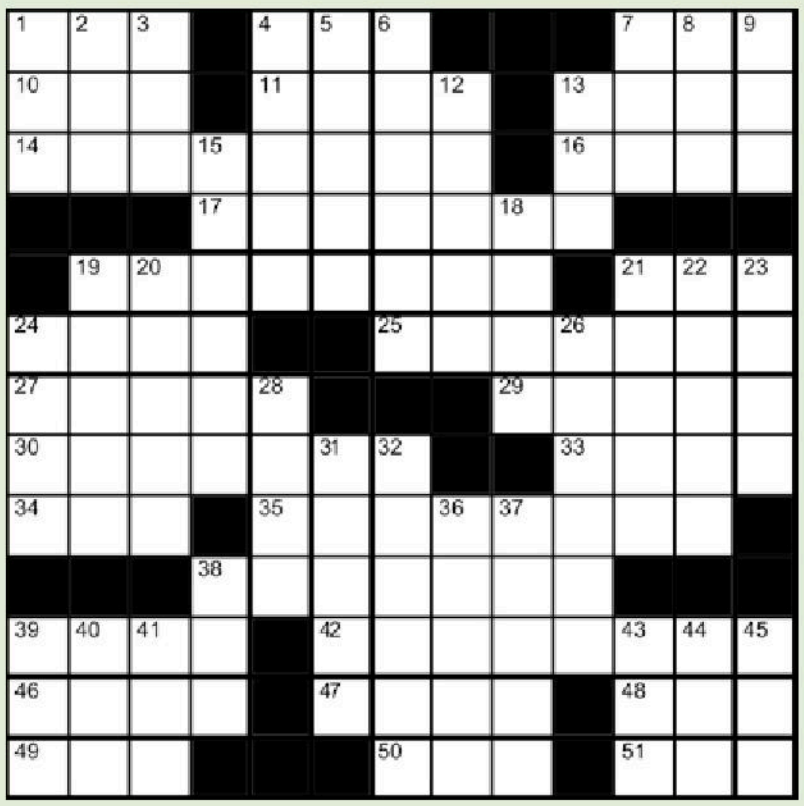
1 Friend or chum
4 Distinguished Service Medal, abbr.
7 As late as or until
10 Bengali surname or boy's name
11 Ramble or wander about
13 Devdas's lover on screen
14 Singly and successively (3,2,3)
16 All right - slang usage
17 A sound of knocking or rapping? (3-1-3)
19 Pain-relieving medicines
21 Yellowish matter
24 Nose of a bird
25 Unyielding
27 Prepared for war
29 Indian rice dish
30 Big she-cat
33 Concrete or stone at the edge of the street
34 Garland from Hawaii
35 Relating to books and writings
38 Made changes
39 Samoan Port
42 Final speech
46 Very short of money
47 Cube with sides marked one to six for game of chance
48 Unseal - poetically speaking!
49 Possess or have
50 North Atlantic Tracks
51 Pose a question?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

A	O	C	■	■	S	L	S	■	S	P	E	D
N	I	L	■	■	K	O	I	■	T	R	A	Y
C	L	A	P	P	I	N	G	■	R	A	S	E
■	■	S	E	R	P	E	N	T	I	N	E	■
E	M	P	T	Y	■	R	O	O	K	■	■	■
D	I	I	■	■	■	■	F	L	E	A	S	■
O	R	N	A	T	E	■	F	A	S	T	E	N
■	E	G	G	E	D	■	■	■	■	T	R	A
■	■	■	G	L	I	B	■	I	D	E	A	S
■	C	E	R	E	B	E	L	L	U	M	■	■
K	A	L	E	■	L	A	Y	S	O	P	E	N
I	R	K	S	■	E	R	R	■	■	T	A	U
T	E	S	S	■	S	S	E	■	■	S	U	N

DOWN

1 In short, an athlete who plays for pay
2 Activity on Node, abbr.
3 Alkali or alkaline solution
4 Wood nymph
5 Black - "o toys" anagram?
6 "Tomorrow" in Spain - "Ma Anna" anagram?
7 Tibetan ox?
8 An eon or an epoch
9 A child's plaything
12 ___ out : gave according to share or in fixed quantities?
13 Cooking vessel
15 ____ down : collapsed or demolished, in a way?
18 Letters of urgency
19 Nest of a bird of prey
20 Inland river of northern NSW
21 More anaemic or more bloodless in appearance
22 Consisting of a single element
23 Residual piece of a ticket
24 A sort of dance or projectile; globe?
26 Gilbert and Sullivan opera
28 Renowned laptop manufacturer
31 Placed, situated or located
32 Enter or intervene (4,2)
36 Heath
37 Rent out again
38 ___ Paar: 1954 Guru Dutt movie
39 Army Post Off.
40 Prisoner of war, acronym
41 Charged particle
43 Bombay to ___ : Amitabh's comedy?
44 Downs' counterparts
45 Comics cry



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

GUK BNC'J TNDW N YASTJ XAJTUKJ N RNML

JU FJABL AJ AC

TODAY'S CLUE: A EQUALS I

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: There are no wise few. Every aristocracy that has ever existed has behaved, in all essential points, exactly like a small mob

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kelavu Dinagala Nanthara	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Raambo 2	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Amma I Love You	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Tagaru	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Prema Baraha	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Mr. Cheater Ramachari	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Race-3	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	2 Shows
TAMIL			
Tik Tik Tik	Sterling	2481170	2 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Traffic Ramasamy	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Kaala	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
----------	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
----------	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
RENOVATION WORKS UNDERWAY			
---	Lido	2420885	---
---	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	---
---	Skyline	2481170	---

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Incredibles 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.00 am, 1.45 pm 4.25 pm, 7.00 pm
Adaminte Santhathikal (Ma)	(S-1)	9.40 pm
Kelavu Dinagala Nanthara (K)	(S-2)	11.20 pm
Tik Tik Tik (Ta)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Kaala (Ta)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Ocean's 8 (E)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
	(S-4)	11.15 am, 9.55 pm
Njan Marykutty (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Raazi (H)	(S-3)	10.45 am
Veere Di Wedding (H)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Jamba Lakidi Pamba (Te)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Race 3 (H)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
Hereditary (E)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Jurassaic World: Fallen Kingdom (E)	(S-4)	1.45 pm, 7.20 pm
Parmanu - Story of Pokhran (H)	(S-4)	4.30 pm

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Incredibles 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.50 am, 1.30 pm 4.10 pm, 6.55 pm
Race - 3 (H-3D)	(S-1)	9.40 pm
Race - 3 (H-2D)	(S-2)	12.35 pm, 6.15 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 am, 3.55 pm
Ocean's 8 (E-3D)	(S-2)	10.10 am, 3.50 pm, 9.30
	(S-3)	6.35 pm
Jurassaic World: Fallen Kingdom (E)	(S-4)	9.00 pm
Tik Tik Tik (Ta)	(S-3)	1.10 pm, 9.50 pm
Mr. Cheater Ramachari (K)	(S-4)	11.15 am
Mast Kalandar (K)	(S-4)	1.35 pm
Njan Marykutty (Ma)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Kelavu Dinagala Nanthara (K)	(S-4)	4.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 23)

The Jewellery Show: Expo and sale of spectacular gold, diamond, platinum and silver jewellery, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, **up to 8 pm.**

Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre and Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT): World Environment Month celebrations, 5th edition of My Green 2018 — Eco-friendly construction and life-style materials exhibition, BAI premises, Sterling Theatre Road, Vishweshwaranagar, **up to 9 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft Shopping Festival: Handicraft and Handloom Expo, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Mysuru District PU Physics Lecturers Forum: Felicitation to students who have secured 100/100 marks in Physics in 2nd PUC exams and promoted Principals, UOM VC Prof. T.K. Umesh and DDPU Dr. Dayanand chief guests, Forum President A. Ramegowda presides, Taralabalu PU College, T.K. Layout, **1.30 pm.**

Fun World and Resorts (I) Prt. Ltd: Mysuru Utsava-2018 Exhibition featuring wildlife models, 3D paintings and replica of world's tallest building Burj Khalifa, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **3 pm to 10 pm.**

Jnanabutti: Workshop on '2018 IAS / KAS and other competitive exams,' interaction with KAS Officers K.H. Jagadeesha, R. Lokanath and S.B. Ravikumar, Dr. Anandagowda talks, Prof. A. Balasubramanian presides, Lakshmipuram Government High School and PU College, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Discourse on Atmabodha by Swami Ishtanathananda, Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Endowment Programme, Sri T.V.Srinivasan Memorial Concert, Karnataka Classical Vocal by Vid. S. Shankar accompanied with Vidu. Nalina Mohan on Violin, Vid. B.C.Manjunath on Mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on Ghatam, Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Rangayana: *Greeshma Rangotsava*, a theatre festival, renamed CGK Memorial Amateur Theatre Festival, staging of play *Kichhilada Bege* by Hashmi Theatre Forum, Bengaluru, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Raghavendra Swamigala Brindavana Sannidhana, Krishnamurthypuram: Diamond Jubilee celebrations, Sosale Sri Vyasaraja Muttadeesha Sri 1008 Sri Vidya Sheesha Theertha Sripadangal speaks, Mutt premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 24)

People for People: Distribution of books to Pourakarmika children, Pourakarmika Layout, near Ganapati Temple, Gokulam, **9 am.**

Kannada & Culture Department: Solo Painting Exhibition by artist M.S. Lingaraju, Sri Ravivarma Art Institute, Chamarajapuram, **10 am to 6 pm.**

The Jewellery Show: Expo and sale of spectacular gold, diamond, platinum and silver jewellery, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, **10 am to 8 pm.**

Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre and Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT): World Environment Month celebrations, 5th edition of My Green 2018 — Eco-friendly construction and life-style materials exhibition, BAI premises, Sterling Theatre Road, Vishweshwaranagar, **10 to 9 pm.**

Kalasuruchi: 'Sahitya Chavadi-Samvada,' interaction with S. Raghunath of Makkala Mane, Kolar and Shishikumar & others, Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.**

Central Government Pensioners' Association (CGPA), Mysuru: Annual General Body Meeting (AGM), Pratibha Puraskar to grandchildren of the Association members, Sadvidya Educational Institution, Narayan Shastry Road, **10.30 am.**

Sahara Art and Craft Shopping Festival: Handicraft and Handloom Expo, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Vijayanagar and Bogadi North Layout Scheduled Community Welfare Association, Mysuru: Dr. B.R. Ambedkar birth anniversary celebrations, MLA G.T. Devegowda inaugurates, MP R. Dhruvanarayan chief guest, retd. DDPU H.M. Rudraswamy main speaker, Association President Dr. N. Doddasiddaiah presides, Vijayanagar V.K. Education Institute premises, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, **10.30 am.**

Karnataka Rajya Reshme Krishi mattu Uddime Avalambitara Sahakara Sangha Niyamita: 3rd Annual General body Meeting, Hotel Guru Residency, next to Govindarao Memorial, JLB Road, **11 am.**

Jnanabutti: Workshop on '2018 IAS / KAS and other competitive exams,' interaction with IAS Officer Dr. M.R. Ravi and KAS Officers N. Mahesh Babu & R. Aishwarya, Agri Dept. Joint Director Dr. H.R. Krishnaiah Gowda speaks, Prof. H.M. Rajashekar presides, Prof. C.K. Kiran Koushik comperes, Lakshmipuram Government High School and PU College, **11 am.**

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Kalpa Kshetra - Centre for Heritage & Culture: Lecture on 'The Science of Agnihotra by Prof. P.R. Mukund,' 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, **4 pm.**

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, Srirampura: Annual Feast, flag hoisting by Rev. Fr. Francis Xavier (Archdiocese of Bengaluru), **5.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Mokshatmanandaji speaks on 'Divine Life of Swami Brahmananda,' Ashrama premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Rangavalli: Staging of play 'Parshva Sangeetha,' Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Rangayana: *Greeshma Rangotsava*, a theatre festival, renamed CGK Memorial Amateur Theatre Festival, staging of play *Ondu Preetiya Kathe* by Bengaluru Theatre Collective, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Religious Endowment Department, Government Of Karnataka: Sri Girija Kalyana Mahotsava, Uyyalotsava, Kote Sri Trinayaneshwara Temple, **7 pm.**

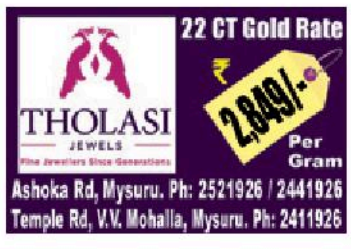
Play *'Parshva Sangeetha'* to be staged tomorrow

Mysuru, June 23- Rangavalli, a city-based amateur theatre troupe, will be staging the play 'Parshva Sangeetha' at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises here tomorrow (June 24) at 7 pm.

'Parshva Sangeetha' is written by Shrinivasa Vaidya. Stage Adaptation is by B.P. Arun; Concept and Direction – Prashanth Hiremath; Asst. Director – Mahesh Kumar; Music Managed by Vishwas Krishna; Lighting – Krishnakumar Narnakaje; Set Design – H.K. Dwarakanath; Costume Design – K.R.Nandini.

The play will be staged again on June 29 & 30 and July 1.

For details, contact Mob: 94488-71815 or 99646-56482.



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